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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH SULTAN HAMENGKU

BUWONO

1. IN COURSE TWENTY MINUTE CONVERSATION IN THE VICE
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE JULY 15, INDONESIAN VICE PRESIDENT,
SULTAN HAMENGKU BUWONO, MAOE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) GOI EAGER FOR VISIT BY VICE PRESIDENT FORD, HOPES HE
WILL COME TO INDONESIA THIS FALL. (THIS INVITATION
APPEARED TO BE SULTAN'S MAIN INTEREST IN THE MEETING.)
INTEREST IN BALI EXPRESSED BY VP.

(B) SULTAN REFERRED TO SERIOUS RICE SHORTAGE PROBLEM.
HE ALSO TALKED ABOUT INFLATION WHICH ALTHOUGH NOT AS BAD
AS PREVIOUS TIME FRAME 1965 IS STILL ONE OF GREAT CTNCERN.

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(C) GOI STILL NEEDS FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, HOPES FOR IDA LOANS IN FUTURE AND IS ANXIOUS ARRANGE FOR EXIM LOANS HERE.

(D) GOI IS REDUCING ITS MILITARY FORCES, AND IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASE OF A U.S. MANUFACTURED COIN AIRCRAFT, THE OV-10.

(E) WHILE GRATEFUL FOR PAST DUTCH ASSISTANCE, GOI IS CONCERNED BY PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF DUTCH DEVELOPMENT MINISTER PRONK, WHICH IT REGARDS AS INTERFERENCE IN ITS INTERNAL AFFAIRS. GOI CONSIDERS PRONK'S STATEMENTS UNFORTUNATE SINCE THEY APPARENTLY MADE IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF INDONESIAN AID DONOR CONSORTIUM (IGGI).

(F) INDONESIA'S RELATIONS WITH OTHER SEA NATIONS ARE VERY GOOD.

2. VICE PRESIDENT FORD THANKED THE SULTAN FOR THE INVITATION AND PROMISED TO KEEP IT IN MIND. HE ALSO EXPRESSED KEEN INTEREST IN INDONESIAN DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS, BUT NOTED GROWING CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION TO AID.

3. FOLLOWING MEETING, SULTAN EXPRESSED HIS STRONG SATISFACTION WITH INTERVIEW TO DEPT OFFICERS. KISSINGER

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